

## **PATENT APPLICATION**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:		)	
		:	Examiner: J. Thompson
KENICHI OHTA		)	
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Appln. No.: 09/769,330		)	
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## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is submitted herewith. Prior to continued examination, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner further to amend the above-identified application as follows, and to consider the Remarks made herein. The claims changes are reflected in the listing that begins at page 2, and the Remarks begin at page 12.

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